

Charity walk set for Huron Metropark

Andrea King
Staff Writer

About 300 people will take a walk in Lower Huron Metropark next week, hoping to collect \$40,000 for their efforts.

Jennifer Dale, the executive director of the Michigan Chapter of the American Liver Foundation said she hopes the public joins the walk which is designed to increase awareness and education and find a cure for liver disease.

The sixth annual Liver Walk will take place Sept. 16 at the Lower Huron Metropark in Belleville.

"We've had it here all six years and it's worked out great," she said. "Not only am I from Belleville, but we like the downriver area where so many are actively involved."

Last year, the walk generated more than \$30,000. That's why this year the goal is \$40,000, which Dale considers obtainable.

"I'm hoping for at least 275 people and as long as we have good weather we'll have a good turnout in Belleville," she said.

Registration will start at 9 a.m. with the walk to step-off at 10 a.m. Registration can be completed up to or on the day of the event. There is a \$10 fee and includes a t-shirt, refreshments and a goody-bag.

"Liver disease is still the human body's best kept secret and it shouldn't be," said Dale. "We're hosting this year after year as education awareness and to raise funds for the disease and education."

New this year, the top team to generate the most funds will be presented the American Liver Cup. Prizes will also be

awarded to the individual walker to bring in the most funds, along with tickets to the Detroit Tigers and other prizes.

Sponsorship opportunities available include corporate and community teams who can give a general donation and will be recognized publicly before and after the event. All proceeds will go toward liver research to benefit people with the disease.

"In order to find a cure we need to make the public aware and educate them about the foundation," Dale said. "Our biggest thing is education and awareness because one in 10 Americans are affected by liver disease."

The Michigan Chapter of the American Liver Foundation is a non-profit organization promoting liver health and disease prevention through research, education and advocacy. Members are actively involved in combating these diseases by raising funds for research and providing educational and support programs for liver transplant patients and those affected by the disease, according to the organization.

"The foundation is celebrating its 30th year and it's about time we stop making liver disease the best kept human body secret and this is the way we do it," said Dale.

Future fundraising events for the Michigan chapter foundation include a comedy night and other free educational programs and events.

For more information about the Annual Liver Walk or the Michigan Chapter of the American Liver Foundation, visit www.liverfoundation.org or call (248) 489-5400.



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Residents await city festival

Molly Tippen
Staff Writer

The Romulus Pumpkin Festival will bring back some familiar activities and introduce several new ones to area partygoers looking to celebrate the arrival of fall this year.

Maria Lambert, the director of downtown development and the organizer of the event, said about 20,000 residents will file into the downtown area to enjoy great food, take part in arts and other activities, buy hand-made merchandise and listen to great music.

"We're excited about this year's event," she said. "We going to have a teen tent so younger people can enjoy themselves downtown this year. We also have many great bands that are returning again this year."

Slated to begin at 6 p.m. next Friday on Goddard Road between Shook Road and Romaine Street, the Pumpkin Festival will continue from Sept. 15-17. It's the biggest event of this kind for the city, and is made possible by corporate donations and year-round fundraising, said Lambert.

"Many of our funds come from selling advertising in our souvenir booklet," she said. "We get a nominal amount of money from the city, and the DDA (Downtown Development Authority) provides some funds."

The signature event, the Parade of Lights, will take place at dusk on Sept. 15. More than 75 floats and classic cars will light up the night, beginning at Romulus City Hall on



Blues band Union Station belts out the tunes at the Romulus Pumpkin Festival in 2005. The band will appear again this year at the event.

Wayne Road to the staging area on Shook Road. At 6 p.m. on the stage downtown, the Mayor's Band — featuring Mayor Alan Lambert on the drums — will perform. Three other bands will also perform until activities conclude at 11 p.m.

A number of contests will also take place in conjunction with the festival at the recreation department on Friday. Pie baking, canning, sunflower growing and of course, pumpkin growing contests will be judged on that day, and winners will be announced at the hospitality tent on Saturday, Sept. 16.

Live music begins again on Saturday at noon. For the second year in row, the "Romulus Teen Idol" contest will take place. The finalists — which were chosen from videotapes submitted to a group of judges throughout last month — will take the stage for a final performance before the judges crown the winner on Sunday.

Historical park activities will also take place on Saturday including the innovative Romulus High School photo exhibit, which will be on display at the newly-refurbished Romulus Freight House. The exhibit will feature school photos dating back 75 years or more.

Senior Center Quilters will demonstrate hoop quilting and tatting techniques at the Kingsley House, and festival-goers will be able to enjoy a telegraph operator display at the Wabash Frigate House.

Activities throughout Saturday include a car show, and a sack race and treasure hunt for the children. Chicken dinners are available at the Progressive Hall, and Spaghetti dinner will take place at the Romulus Community United Methodist Church.

On Sunday, several opportunities to support good causes will take place. The Friends of

the Romulus Public Library will sponsor a bag sale — all the books that fit into a bag will cost \$2.25. The funds will be used to purchase equipment for the library that it could not afford otherwise.

Councilman William Wadsworth will also host his bingo fundraiser from noon to 6 p.m. at the Senior Center. The proceeds will fund the construction of a new animal shelter. Wadsworth said the fundraiser is the biggest one of the year for the shelter.

"The bowling fundraiser we had raised quite a bit of money and came close to what the bingo tournament raises," said Wadsworth. "This one has raised the most, though, and we've done it four times."

A full schedule for the Pumpkin Festival can be obtained at Romulus City Hall at 11111 Wayne Road. For more information, call the Pumpkin Festival hotline at (734) 955-4577.

News in brief

Bulk road salt contract approved

Romulus City Council members voted unanimously to award a Detroit company a contract to provide road salt for the upcoming winter months.

Detroit Salt Co. will charge the city \$34.17 for each ton of salt required to maintain roads for the 2006-07 fiscal year. The salt will be paid for using major and local street funds earmarked for this expense every year, according to paperwork submitted by Mayor Alan Lambert.

The contract for the salt was awarded after the city advertised for bids. Three bid packages were received by the deadline of Aug. 15, and Detroit Salt was the lowest bidder.

Council approves emergency radio services

A back-up radio system for the City of Romulus Emergency Operation Center will cost the emergency management department \$14,267 to implement.

State Electronics Co. of Warren, Mich., was the highest bidder of three that were received by the city, but was the only one that met expectations, according to information provided by the city. Purchasing Director Lynn Conway recommended the Romulus City Council approve the contract last week. The resolution was unanimously adopted by the council.

The interoperable radios allow the 911 call center to continue operations in a power outage.

Funds from the 2004 Homeland Security Grant program will be used to pay for the radios.

Library announces used book sale

The Friends of the Romulus Public Library have scheduled a used book sale to help fund activities not covered by the annual budget.

The sale will take place from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 16 and from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 17.

Adult hardcover books will cost \$1.25 per book. Adult large paperbacks will cost 75 cents. Adult small paperbacks will cost 25 cents.

Children's books will cost 35 cents. CDs, videotapes and DVDs will cost \$1.

On Sunday, from 3-6 p.m., books will be sold by the bag for \$2.25.

For more information, call the Romulus Public Library at (734) 942-7589.

Water

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the low pressure was reported — will be analyzed.

Lambert said he thinks there is enough water available to the residents and businesses in the northeast section, but said if many new businesses go in there — it may not be enough.

"Once we fixed the valves that were malfunctioning in there, we had more water than we expected. I think we'll be fine for a while, but there may come a time when the system has more users, and we need to be prepared for that," he said. "We don't want to be fixing it when we're overloaded."

The water and sewer fund has about \$8 million in it presently, Lambert said. "It's one of our healthiest funds in the city," he said. "We'll be able to afford to make any repairs we

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Mayor Alan Lambert

Police

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stopped to help — I and I thought it was ridiculous," Basham said. "The officer and his partner — in this case, the partner is a dog — should be able to help while they're not on duty without worrying about being sued. And it's outrageous that the municipality they work for is being brought into this at all."

Michigan law already shields some individuals from liability when they try to assist someone in need of help, especially if the emergency is medical in nature. However, those laws do not protect people who assist others, but are deemed to have acted in a negligent manner.

Basham said officers may already be protected by the law, but said there is nothing concrete in Michigan case law that spells out that police officers

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should receive the same protections.

"This is something that needs to be made very clear," Basham said. "It shouldn't be a gray area."

Basham said several Republican lawmakers have expressed an interest in co-sponsoring the bill.

"There's a lot of common agreement on this," he said. "I expect bipartisan support on this one."

OPINION

Fueling up for November

At the cusp of a holiday weekend, the price of gas remained at a two-year low throughout metro Detroit.

Stations in western Wayne County offered the precious liquid for pennies more than \$2.50 a gallon.

Curious.

Now we're not ones to look a gift pump down the nozzle, but after months and months of being told the price of this all-important fuel is as volatile as the liquid itself, depending on economic factors like demand, unrest in the Middle East, consumer confidence—even the weather—we're forced to wonder which of those things has diminished.

It seems strange that, weeks after reports of an eroded supply line threatened to send the cost of gas skyrocketing to \$4 a gallon and beyond, the price has dropped to a two-year low with little explanation and many questions.

How low will it go? How long will it last?

Well, here's a guess: it depends on the pollsters and it will probably last until the first week or so of November.

Maybe we're reaching too far, here, but prices this low the week before President George Bush is scheduled to make a trip to Michigan seems a bit too much of a coincidence. Perhaps this is a sign that the Republican Party, despite members' seeming confidence, is worried going into the stretch of this election season. They say the election is winnable, but they don't mention the asterisk looming over everyone's head.

The economy is still in the toilet—here, anyway—the war is becoming increasingly unpopular while middle class wages in Michigan are dropping and many families are struggling to make ends meet. We need something to cheer the president for, don't we? So presto, all of the sudden, we can afford to fill up our cars again.

Well, we admit it will be a nice change for a while not to cringe at the pump. We're not saying we shouldn't take advantage of this situation or cry out for the higher prices that curtailed many of our traveling activities earlier this year.

It might be a good idea, however, to cast a skeptical eye when big oil companies compassionately tell us future rate increases are necessary, or to put too much stock in this sudden good fortune.

A time for national reflection

It's hard to believe that five years have already gone by since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks stunned our nation.

The debate over where we have come since then and what we learned on that terrible day and during our ensuing struggles is one that would take up too much space to adequately cover here—if, indeed, we can find definitive answers to those questions.

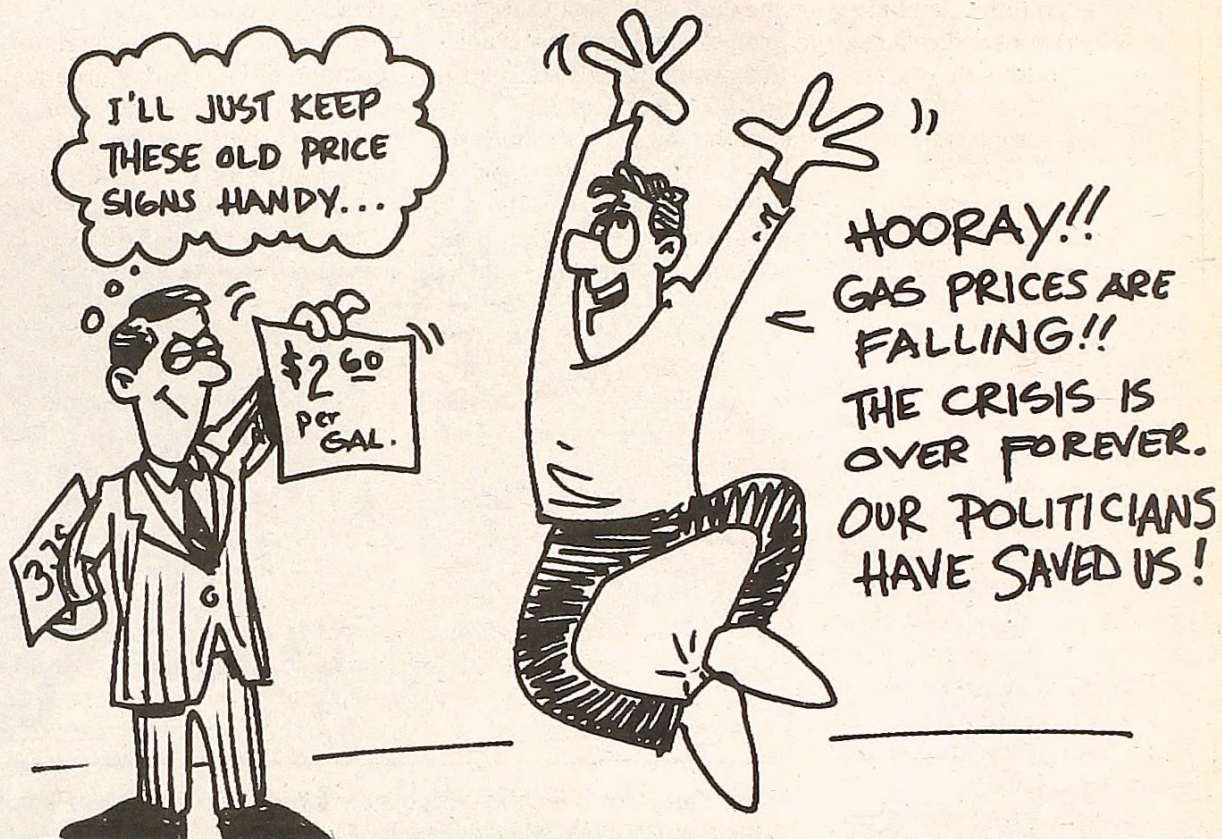
We'd like to take a moment, though, to remind people of the upcoming events scheduled to reflect on that day and to say why we think they are important.

In Westland, ceremonies will take place at 11 a.m. behind Westland City Hall. In Wayne, they start at 8 a.m. at the Veteran's Peace Memorial, off Wayne Road between the two sides of Michigan Avenue.

We should spend some time on Monday to reflect on what we lost that day, how our perceptions were altered and how we have since progressed as a nation. Casting aside debates on the relevance—or use of—terror alert levels or whether the world is any safer, we should think about the people around us who toil every day to keep us safe and ensure that these worries are as far from our minds as they possibly can be.

These ceremonies, in addition to their reflection on the past, should concentrate on the public safety personnel who respond to

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Journey of a lifetime begins

The house was still quiet. Muted news played on the television in the other room and the flickering light bathed Henry's sleeping face in alternating shades of blue.

I'll just give him a couple more minutes.

It was an irrational thought, and I knew it. As if by letting him sleep a little longer, I could somehow hold on to this stage of his life, put off the roller coaster that everyone had always told me would be on us before I knew it.

Like I said, it was irrational. They can't stay young forever, right? Besides, he'd be upset if he missed this.

"Buddy, Henry," I whispered. I kept my voice low because a part of me still didn't want him to wake up and I didn't want him to hear my own voice shaking. "It's time to get ready for school."

His eyes fluttered open.

"Hi Dad," he said. "Do I get to go to kindergarten today?"

"Yeah," I hoped it was too dark for him to see the sadness in my smile. "Today's the big day."

Just like that, the morning routine took on a chaotic

new rhythm. The breakfasts, the showers, the tooth brushing—all were there, but with a different tone. They all seemed the same, but there was an undercurrent of change, too. Nothing would be the same after today.

It was Tuesday, the first day of school. The summer had flown by all too quickly, despite an extra week as school was pushed back after the Labor Day holiday. I had wanted to hold onto this one, but time zipped through my hands as if my fingers were coated with Teflon. The moment I had half dreaded had arrived.

The television talked about gloomy subjects: the continuing strife between teachers and administrators in Detroit, unhappy professors at Eastern Michigan University, the dangers posed by overburdened backpacks, bullies—even bullies in cyber space.

Do they want everyone to freak out? I flipped the channel. I've never been so happy to see Curious George in all my life.

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Don't keep your opinion to yourself

Newspapers are in trouble. Trust me, I have sources on this.

Readers are increasingly turning away from print papers. They aren't even using them for kindling. Recent studies suggest birds would also prefer alternative options for cage lining.

Instead, they go online (the readers, not the birds). Even though we, as your local newspaper, already provide stories you won't see anywhere else, we've followed the trend and are beefing up our offerings on the web.

Frankly, everybody's wondering: will it work?

Bird droppings aside, a real survey in the Plymouth-Canton schools suggested local media opinions didn't really affect the vote. Frankly, that's no surprise, when many debate whether newspapers should continue the tradition of endorsements anyway.

The pollster, Ed Sarpolus, said word of mouth, not news coverage, really drives opinion about those types of bond elections. He told an interesting story of millage issues that the Grand Rapids Press railed against. The paper wrote editorial after editorial, telling voters why it was a bad idea.

When voters were polled before the election, they were asked about what they read in the Press. They said they had read the editorials and—get this—80 percent of them thought the paper had supported the bond!

"They misread the anti-attack," said Sarpolus.

Maybe that's the reason one of our local dailies

has instituted a weekly news quiz.

The fact is, a lot of people pay attention to news—but only about the news they care about. For example, celebrity break-ups and "baby bumps."

Many readers distrust "mainstream" media—a perception that trickles down to the local level. Then, when a newspaper does a good job on a story it goes unnoticed.

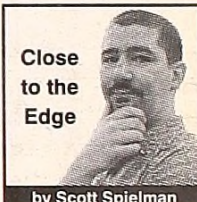
While newspapers with wider circulation are trying to keep subscriptions up, local newspapers are wondering how can we get more people engaged on issues in their community?

I think one way is to keep giving it straight to the communities we cover and asking them to talk back. We love the people who write to us about the stories we cover, but it's a small percentage of our readership who take the time to send letters these days.

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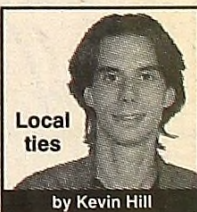
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Van Buren sets master plan workshop

The Van Buren Township Planning Commission will host a ninth meeting on future land use on Sept. 27 in a series dedicated to the township south side master plan.

All residents—property owners, business owners, civic and community groups—are encouraged to attend and participate. The two-hour session will start at 7:30 p.m.

Journey

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Children trickled by outside and crossing guards took up their posts on the corner. Bits of conversation floated through the window as Henry stomped his feet, excited, and put on his new backpack.

The he, Lisa and I were out the door. After a pause for pictures on the front porch, we joined the line of families on their way to Hoover Elementary School.

Along the way, Henry chattered like a chipmunk.

Two short blocks. I tried to walk slowly, but we were almost at the school already. Parents and children lined up outside.

“Hi, Cody,” he said to a fifth grader when we joined them. “Hey Tyler,” he went on, pointing to other children and rattling off their names.

I didn’t really know what to expect once we got inside. Would we just hand him off and leave? Could we stay? I had always pic-

at Van Buren Township Hall, located at 46425 Tyler Road and focus on the draft of the south side master plan of Van Buren Township.

Township officials started the process in February. The south side of the township includes the land area between the I-94 expressway and Bemis Road to the south and Rawsonville Road on the west to Hannan Road on

tured myself standing in the back of his classroom like a friendly ghost, watching over him to make sure he kept his exuberant character in check. The boy who, a few weeks ago, was running around a market in Houghton Lake holding a 3-foot pepperoni over his head and calling out: “I am Henry, the meat lord,” was bound to give his teacher a little trouble. I started to realize that I couldn’t be there and felt another pang of sorrow.

The doors opened and we all trickled inside. The teachers and staff had lined up in the main hallway, making a tunnel of encouragement for the incoming students. They handed out high-fives and welcomed the children with smiles. Henry was already a few steps ahead of us.

There was a brief orientation in the gymnasium, in which Principal Dan Briody reminded the parents in the room—and there were probably more parents than children—that they were an important part of their children’s education and then we were off to Henry’s final destination that day, Ms. Root’s kinder-

garten classroom.

She sat outside the room a box of Kleenex nearby for the sudden rash of ‘allergies’ that many of the parents, myself included, were afflicted with.

“Well, Henry,” she said after he introduced himself, “I’ve been thinking about you all summer and it’s nice to meet you.” She gave him a name tag that he pasted near his collarbone and pronounced him ready for kindergarten. By the time we weaved our way into the room, he had already hung up his backpack and searched for his seat.

A piece of paper awaited him, asking him to draw a picture of his first day of school. He wrote his name on the line where directed and immediately started to draw a happy face.

I rubbed his head, told him I’d see him later and reminded him to be good. Like the rest of the parents, Lisa and I filtered out of the room. Our part of his formal education was just beginning, but for now there was nothing to do but walk the two long blocks home.

Darn allergies.

Anniversary

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major and minor threats every day. They are the ones who keep us safe, work proactively to ensure our quality of life and their efforts often go without so much as a thank you.

The reflection is important, too, because it reminds us of an important thing we’ve learned during the days since those attacks: we have to do our own part to keep ourselves and our neighbors safe from harm, we have to remain vigilant and steadfast because it is only with our help that we can ensure safety and freedom going forward.

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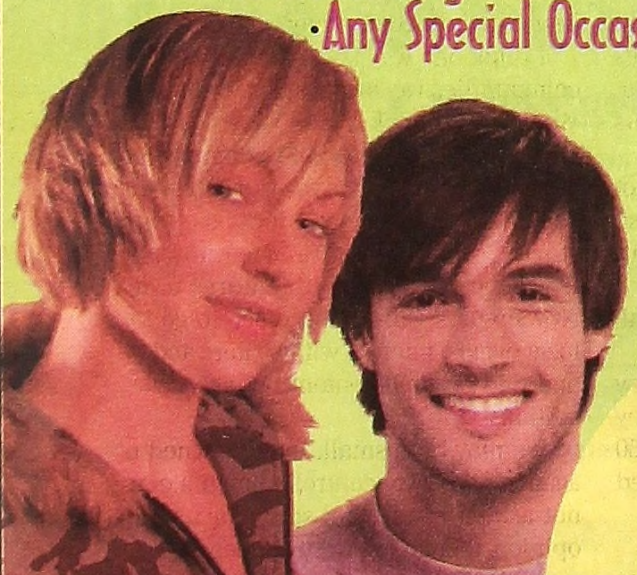
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Board returns teacher to high school, 4-3

Andrea King
Staff Writer

Mike Van Tassel will remain an assistant principal at Belleville High School after all.

Following more than three hours of deliberation in a closed hearing, Van Buren Public School Board members decided his transfer to South Middle School was in violation of the administration handbook.

The 4-3 decision to override Superintendent Pete Lazaroff's transfer of Van Tassel to the middle school came last week. Board Vice President Ralph Nodwell, Trustee Martha Toth, Trustee Rob Coutts and Trustee Toni Hunt voted yes, while President Dave Peer, Treasurer Keith Johnston and Secretary Victor Hogan, voted no.

Nodwell said he didn't think Van Tassel was being treated fairly in the process.

"In section 5.4 of the handbook it states the involvement of a transfer must be supported by a detriment case and he did not qualify under that," Nodwell said. "We write these manuals for a purpose and we must treat individuals within the guidelines of the program."

The decision was made to replace Van Tassel, an assistant principal at Belleville High School, recently when school administrators felt his knowledge and skills would best be utilized at South Middle School instead.

Van Tassel filed a grievance, which took about five days to move into a stage two grievance. Administration then had five days from that point to respond and, if the issue hasn't been resolved, a hearing with

the school board was to take place. The stage three grievance was filed on Aug. 21.

Hunt, who was also in support of bringing Van Tassel back to the high school, said although he would have done a fine job at South Middle School, she felt he's better suited at Belleville High School.

"That portion of the contract was violated, his skills are well suited to the high school and his placement at South would have been inappropriate," she said.

Administrative assignments are the choice of the school district superintendent and, according to Van Tassel's evaluation, he successfully completed his probationary year, officials said.

"His appraisal was good, not exceptional, but good," said Nodwell. "The dedication he's made to the high school is impressive to us. We have to protect the right educator in the right spot."

Johnston said he didn't feel the transfer was done maliciously. He said it just made more sense to move Van Tassel to the middle school because there is not a team of administrators there, like there is at the high school.

"I felt his experience could have gone to South, but the process was followed," said Johnston. "I don't want Mr. Van Tassel to fail. I want him and the kids to succeed. I'm going to support him at the high school because it's on the way of a new direction. This is behind us now, the board has spoke and we will move forward."

Toth said she wanted to make it clear that the decision did not imply a lack of confidence in the superintendent.

"The transfer was done in violation of the contract, but the contract has unclear language, too. That will need to be fixed

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Board Vice President Ralph Nodwell

for the future," she said. "The hearing took long because it's all a matter of interpretation. I believe Mr. Van Tassel would have been equally good at either school. I don't believe though that the decision was based on personalities or public input. Not that they're not important, but they didn't seem to be proper basis for the decision."

Effective immediately, Van Tassel will go back to Belleville High School. Ernie Krumm, an interim assistant principal there, will go back to teaching.

"All parties were treated fairly and things will go on to have a good opportunity to produce good education," said Nodwell.

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SPORTS

Chief gridders defuse Rockets, 42-3

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

Thursday was a night for stars to shine and none burned brighter than Canton's Steve Paye.

The senior backup quarterback and linebacker led the Chiefs to a 42-3 victory against the John Glenn Rockets in Westland on Thursday night.

Paye, in his first year playing high school football, was stellar on both sides of the ball. He forced a fumble and recovered another on defense and stepped into the quarterback position—after senior starter Ben Vaughn left the game with an injury—and directed five scoring drives.

For a team that relies heavily on its run attack, the performance undoubtedly sparked a (gasp) quarterback controversy.

"It's amazing for a kid to come out his senior year, learn our offense and play the position that well and to start at line-backer and play that position," said Canton Coach Tim Baechler. "I don't get it, but man is he good."

"We have a quarterback con-

troversy on our hands," he said. "We're going to have to decide what is best for our team. Here's the thing: you want to go for the future, too, but, you know what, if you have player...you have to spend him while you got him. The kid has me in a tough situation."

After an offensively stagnant first quarter, Paye turned things in favor of Canton when he sacked Glenn quarterback Justin Reid, causing a fumble. Senior linebacker Chris Hasse scooped up the loose ball and trucked 53 yards for the score. Colin O'Shaughnessy's kick was good to give Canton a 7-0 lead at the 11:39 mark of the second quarter.

The Chiefs upped their advantage, 14-0, when Nicholas Dunleavy recovered a fumbled punt on John Glenn's 27-yard line. Paye stepped in to the starting quarterback role and took the team the distance on six plays, ending with Deshon McClendon's 1-yard run to the end zone. Both teams retired to the locker rooms 49 seconds later.

At the top of the third, Canton



Canton's Deshon McClendon (1) crosses the goal line for his first of two scores in the Chiefs' 42-3 victory against John Glenn last Thursday.

fumbled and Glenn recovered the ball on the Chiefs' 19. Four plays later Andrew Hein split the uprights with a 32-yard field goal to put the Rockets on the board, 14-3.

Dalton Walser scored on a 36-yard scramble, giving his Chiefs

a 21-3 lead. Canton then scored on its next two drives after recovering Glenn fumbles. Paye recovered the first fumble then connected with Walser for a 38-yard pass and a score. Then McClendon dragged tacklers for 10 yards to score from 25 yards

out. That earned the Chiefs a 35-3 cushion.

Nick Moores finished off the scoring with a 1-yard plunge with 3:34 left in the game.

It was a tale of two halves for

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SPORTS

Romulus earns 2nd shutout

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

Romulus football earned its second win when the Eagles defeated Redford Thurston, 27-0 on Thursday night.

Junior running back/defensive back Mario Crawford found his groove and scorched Thurston for 298 yards on 15 carries. He scored three times on runs of 29, 87 and 26 yards.

Justin Price caught four passes for 28 yards, including an 11-yard touchdown from sophomore quarterback Ondre Mathews. Mathews finished the night 3-for-5 for 60 yards and the score.

Junior quarterback/wide

receiver Steve Hawes was 3-for-5 for 17 yards as the signal caller. He also caught a 40-yard pass at receiver. Junior running back/linebacker JaJuan Whitlow had 46 yards rushing on four carries.

Senior lineman John Kiesznowski led the defense with 12 tackles. Senior defensive end/tight end Antoine James had eight tackles and two sacks.

The Eagles are now 2-0 under first-year head coach Matt Ladach.

Romulus will hit the road for the first time this season when they travel to Gibraltar Carlson for a 7 p.m. kickoff tomorrow.

Canton

FROM PAGE 7

the Canton offense. Glenn did a remarkable job holding the Chiefs to less than 50 yards in the first half. With some adjustments at halftime, Canton broke open for more than 140 yards rushing in the second half. Their defense remained unbreakable.

"We made a couple slight tweaks on defense; they played great tonight, again—knock on wood," Baechler said.

"Offensively, we're getting a lot of information to process. Certainly we hate having to wait to halftime to get that information processed. We'd like to get it done as soon as possible. But once they got it down and saw

what they were doing it was a simple adjustment in the blocking scheme and than...BANG."

McClendon led the Canton ground attack with 72 yards and his two TDs.

Glenn Coach Todd DeLuca admits the miscues hurt his team's chances.

"The mistakes did us in tonight," he said. "We played with them, I thought, but you can't turn the ball over that many times against a team like Canton. I give them all of the credit. They're a very, very good football team. If it wasn't for the turnovers the score would have been a lot closer and we would have been leaving with our heads up. But the bottom line is Canton is a good football team. We won't be the only team they do this to.

"If I know my players, they

are going to want to have another crack at these guys," he added, "and in order to do that we will have to win our division so that's what we're aiming at."

Glenn hosts Stevenson at 7 p.m. on Friday.

Canton will be considered the away team when they play Plymouth at 7 p.m. on Friday.

Other scores

Belleville 14, (at) Southgate Anderson 6

The Belleville Tigers redeemed themselves from their opening week loss to John Glenn in week two when they defeated host Southgate Anderson, 14-6, on Friday.

Waseem El Awadi and Ken Jones each scored rushing touchdowns for Belleville, improving the team's record to 1-1.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD AUGUST 14, 2006
IN THE ROMULUS CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
11111 S. WAYNE ROAD, ROMULUS, MICHIGAN 48174.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Pro Tem William Wadsworth.

Present: John Barden, Ellen Craig-Bragg, Harry Crout, William Crova, William Wadsworth.

Excused: LeRoy Burcroff, Mayor Pro Tem Randolph Gear.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Alan Lambert, Mayor
Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
Pamela Morrison/Kersey, CMFA Treasurer

1. Motion by Crova, supported by Bragg to approve the agenda as amended.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes -Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-280

2. Motion by Barden, supported by Bragg to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held August 7, 2006.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-281

3A. Motion by Crova, supported by Barden to concur with the recommendations of the Romulus Police Department and approve transfer of a Class C-SDM Licensed Business with Entertainment Permit and Topless Activity Permit from Nappco, Inc., and grant a new Dance Permit to Rexco Investments, LLC, 36431 Goddard, Romulus, 48174.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-282

3B. Motion by Crova, supported by Bragg to concur with the recommendation of the City Planning Commission and grant special land use approval of PC-2006-014; U-Store-It Outdoor Storage, 28266 Ecorse Road, north side of Ecorse Road east of Harrison Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 for expansion of the existing site to include outside RV & Boat Storage consistent with the Planning Consultant letter dated June 20, 2006 and too include the following recommendations:

1. A waiver of the berm/decorative wall requirement of Section 4.32.
2. A waiver to permit outdoor storage, with the condition that the type of spruce tree To be planted as the screening is noted as suggested below.
3. A waiver of the 40-foot wide front setback requirement, with the condition that the proposed arborvitae be replaced with a lower growing shrub as suggested below.
4. A waiver to allow the existing U-Haul business to remain.
5. The addition of two more trees along the right-of-way (total of 5 trees required).
6. The type of spruce trees proposed - a mixture of varieties including Serbian, Norwegian, Black, White, etc., is recommended.
7. The replacement of the proposed arborvitae with a lower growing shrub.
8. One (1) parking space would be allowed in the front to park a u-haul vehicle.
9. Only licensed and operable vehicles would be allowed in the designated outdoor storage area.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-283

4A. Motion by Barden, supported by Crout to schedule an Executive Session Meeting to be held in the City Council Chambers, located at 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan, on August 15, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing pending legal matters.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-284

4B. Motion by Crout, supported by Barden to adopt a resolution wishing Irma Wells a Happy 87th Birthday.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Barden, supported by Bragg to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes -Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-285

5A. Motion by Bragg, supported by Barden to introduce Budget Amendment 06/07-8:

ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	BUDGET
General Fund				
Revenue				
101-4130-512.57-84	Ash Tree Planting	0	20,000	20,000
Expenditure				
101-4130-741.85-49	Ash Bore Tree Planting	0	20,000	20,000
Fund Balance				

To move approved grant by Council Resolution 06-201 unused in fiscal year 05/06 to fiscal year 06/07.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes -Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-286

6A1. Motion by Bragg, supported by Crout, to approve second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendments 05/06-39, 06/07-04 and 06/07-06, introduced at the Council Meeting held August 7, 2006.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A2. No Action Taken.

06-287

11. Motion by Barden, supported by Bragg to authorize the City Treasurer to disburse funds as listed in Warrant 06-15 in the grand total amount of Two Million, One Hundred Fifty Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Forty Two Dollars and Thirteen Cents. (\$2,159,942.13).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Crout, Wadsworth.
Nays - None. Abstain - Crova.
Motion Carried.

12. Motion by Crova, supported by Bragg to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Eva W. Webb, Deputy Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Eva W. Webb, Deputy, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held August 14, 2006.

Eva W. Webb, Deputy Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

Publish: September 7, 2006

THE SCENE

INVINCIBLE

Tried and true underdog tale is entertaining

Generally, going with an all-odds-against the underdog themed story is a safe bet for just about any Hollywood studio to stack chips on. Audiences usually eat up those types of stories, especially if they are based on true-life events. *Invincible* has it all—good story, drama, love and true story of a man rising from the ashes of a burned out Philadelphia economy to beat all the odds. Tie all that up in a pretty little bow and ship it off using the big-eared mouse studio—a.k.a. Disney (actually distributed by Disney's Buena Vista Pictures)—and it's bound to be a winner.

It's safe to say that *Invincible* is this year's *Cinderella Man* or *Miracle*—also from Disney—or *Rocky* or every other underdog tale told on the big screen since the invention of the light bulb. No matter how bad the script might be, these stories always turn out to be good. Despite the macho cheesiness of the football-themed and weakly named *Invincible*, it tugs at the heartstrings of America nonetheless.



The biopic of Philadelphia native Vince Papale gives new meaning to fantasy football. He lives every football fan's dream by moving from the upper deck cheap seats to the sidelines of his hometown NFL team the Eagles. The film should be labeled "Resilience" since it's more about survival than it is about being unbeatable. Mark Wahlberg takes on the bend-but-don't-break role of the inspiring Papale and does a decent job in the part. However, because he's so short, he doesn't make a believable NFL player—especially that of a wide receiver.

The story (the Disney version, anyway) goes: Once upon a time in 1976 the 30-year-old Papale, along with thousands of other Philadelphians, was down on his luck. Jobs were scarce and when he lost his job as a substitute teacher and subsequently his wife because "he would never amount to anything," he is forced to borrow money from his laid off factory worker father (Kevin Conway) to make ends meet. Times only get tougher and he has to pick up more shifts at friend Max's bar. Things changed when Papale's beloved Eagles—also down on their luck—introduce new head coach Dick Vermeil (Greg Kinnear). Vermeil makes a startling announcement that he will hold

Reviewed By
Jeff Novak
Staff Writer



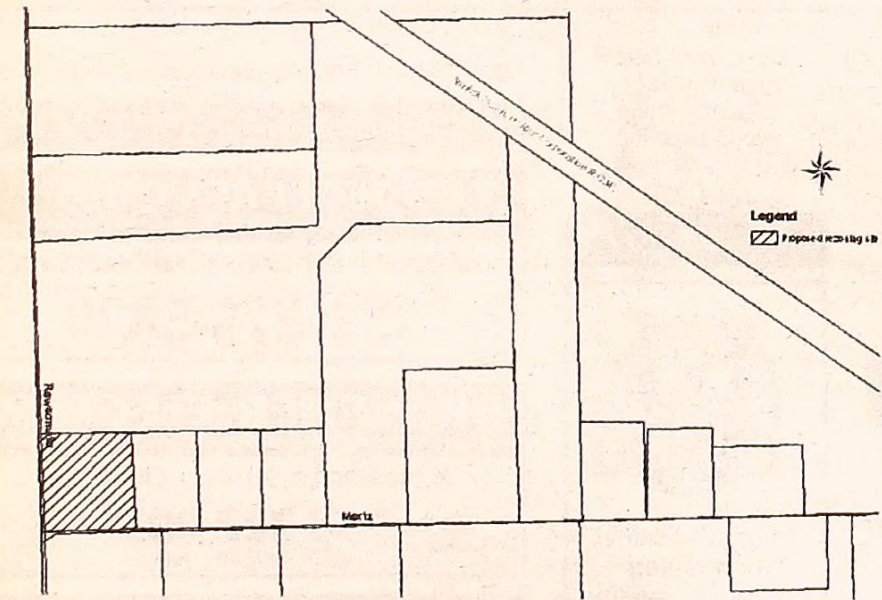
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD OF TRUSTEES PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Van Buren Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing in the Board of Trustees Room, 46425 Tyler Road, Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, Michigan, 48111 on **Tuesday, September 19, 2006** at 7:30 p.m. to consider a zoning change on the following described property:

Parcel number V125-83-122-99-0012-000 approximately 1.46 acres proposed to be rezoned from M-2 Industrial Transportation to C-1 (General Business).

A map indicating the location of the subject site is included below.



This property is located on the southeast corner of Rawsonville and Martz Roads. Written comments will be accepted at the Department of Developmental Services until 5:00 p.m. on the hearing date of September 19, 2006. In the spirit of compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with a disability should feel free to contact the Department of Developmental Services, at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the meeting, if requesting accommodations.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN 1954 PA 188 Proceedings

Notice of Street Lighting Special Assessment Hearing

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that as a result of petitions by the developer and property owners within the Township signed by the record owners of land whose footage constitutes more than 50 percent of the total footage of the hereinafter described as **Walden Woods Subdivision Phase 4** Street Lighting Special Assessment District and the Township Board of the Charter Township of Van Buren proposes to purchase, construct and maintain street lights and to create a special assessment district for the recovery of the cost thereof by special assessment against the properties benefited therein

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the District within which the foregoing improvements are proposed to be constructed and within which the cost thereof is proposed to be assessed is more particularly described as follows: **Walden Woods Subdivision Phase 4, 81** inclusive.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township has received a preliminary street lighting layout plan from Detroit Edison indicating **10** street lights to be constructed with an annual operating cost of \$2,895.00. This plan is on file at the Township Clerk's Office and is available for examination and will further be available at the public hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a public hearing upon the proposed street lighting project design and cost will be held at the Charter Township of Van Buren Municipal Center at 46425 Tyler Road, Belleville, Michigan, commencing at 7:30 p.m on **September 19, 2006**.

At such hearing, the board will consider any written objections to any of the foregoing matters which might be filed with said board at or prior to the time of said hearing as well as any revisions, corrections, amendments, or changes to said Plans, Estimates and Costs or to said Special Assessment District.

All interested persons are invited to be present at the aforesaid time and place and to submit comments concerning any of the foregoing.

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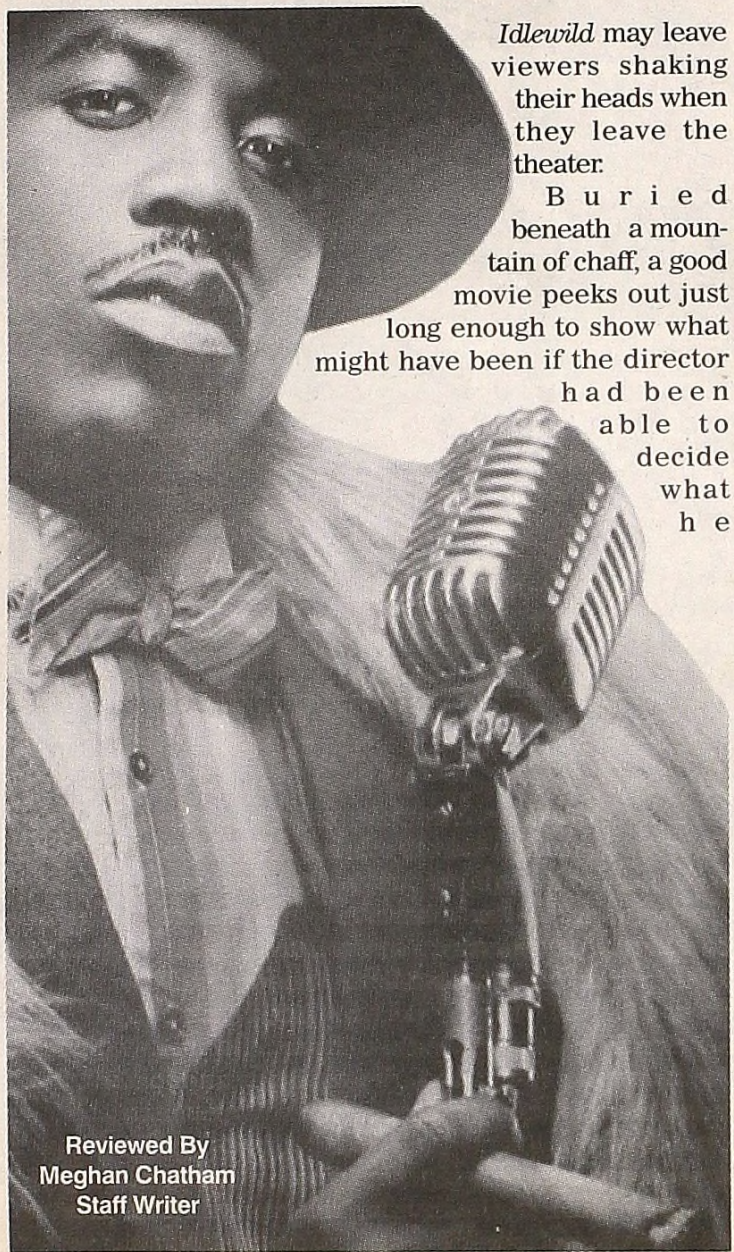
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THE SCENE

Idlewild

Good movie is hiding behind music video clips



Reviewed By
Meghan Chatham
Staff Writer

Idlewild may leave viewers shaking their heads when they leave the theater.

Buried beneath a mountain of chaff, a good movie peeks out just long enough to show what might have been if the director had been able to decide what he

wanted the film to say. It's a pity, too, because this is a film with a lot of potential.

A drama and musical combined, the movie follows the lives of two friends as they follow their dreams of success in the Prohibition Era jazz clubs of the Deep South. Rooster (Big Boi) is the son of a bootlegger with close family ties to the world of gangsters. He lives to sing and embraces decadence in any form. His buddy, Percival (Andre Benjamin), meanwhile, comes from the 'right side of the tracks'. Always a gentleman, he avoids the decadence of life in the club and focuses more on writing and performing his own music for the piano by night while working in his father's mortuary by day. It's a tough life for all of them, and soon they must decide where their hearts truly lie. For Rooster, that means deciding between the life he loves and the family he loves while Percival must decide what's most important to him: the woman he loves and a shot at stardom or the respect of his aging father he feels he should support.

Taken in separate pieces, the film has a lot going for it. It's a fairly interesting premise. The camerawork is often dreamlike, occasionally nauseating, and always interesting. The dance sequences are beautiful, although historically

minded viewers will probably eschew the hip-hop feel of most of the routines.

In the end, though, it just doesn't quite work. The film—which is essentially a vehicle for the members the musical group OutKast—reminded me of two dogs playing tug of war with an old rope. On one hand, it wanted to be a serious period piece about the challenges musicians—particularly African American artists—had in realizing their dreams. On the other hand, it wanted the contemporary hip-hop feel of a modern retelling of an old story. There was so much going on that in the end, neither version made much progress.

The biggest problem with the film was the gratuitous inclusion of several nonsensical scenes and completely anachronous music that will undoubtedly make for a great music video—but didn't do anything for the movie.

All in all, it was a reasonably good film and significantly better than your standard MTV-icon driven film—remember *Crossroads*? There's nothing new about it and it tries to do way too much, but it's not a bad way to spend a few lazy hours.

Idlewild, which is rated R, includes appearances by artists such as Cicely Tyson, Macy Gray, Ben Vereen, and Patti LaBelle.

Movie

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an open tryout for anyone who thinks they can make the football team. Papale is goaded by his friends and father to try out, even though he hasn't played any real football since high school. Of course there are pick-up games played in muddy lots in South Philly, lit only by car headlamps that keep Papale in shape. That appears to be enough, though, as Papale tries out and is selected to attend camp.

He makes it through bruising cut after bruising cut until he is selected to the special teams unit. In the end he becomes the soul of the Eagles team and the heart of Philadelphia.

All that's missing is a glass slipper and maybe seven dwarfs and it would be a complete Disney fairy tale. But, who really wants to see Wahlberg in high heels?

Of course writer Brad Gann takes some liberties with the script for dramatic purposes.

After doing some research I found that the real Papale had a secure teaching job and actually earned the attention of Vermeil as a wide receiver on a semi-pro football team. I guess that's not as exciting.

There's nothing exceptional about *Invincible* except that it's a good story.

With the summer filled with flops, moviegoers should take what they can get.

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58. Garage and Yard Sales

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BROOKSIDE VILLAGE

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Sept. 7, 8, 9 & 10

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West of Beck
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Clothes, tools, house-
wares, sporting goods,
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Sat. 9/9 9:00-1:00

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59. Auctions

MR. STOR-IT
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734-721-4670

AUCTION DATE:
Saturday, 9/30/06
11:00 AM
CASH & CREDIT CARDS
ONLY, NO CHECKS

Unit 126-Andra Dallas
Bed, boxes, furniture

Unit 181-John Muldowny
30+ boxes, furniture, TV,
VCR, household misc.

Unit 265-Juanita Harris
15+ boxes, dryer, furni-
ture, TV, toys, misc.

Unit 431-Jeff Woodcock
Car door, boat motor,
dresser, misc.

Unit 501-Theresa
Skowronski
Bed, chairs, toys, boxes,
misc.

Unit 537-Sylvester Lynem
III
Boxes, lamp, furniture,

misc.

Unit 612-Brenda Coleman
Dryer, furniture, boxes,
dressers, washer, house-
hold misc.

Unit 739-Christina Luschas
Boxes, furniture, table,
misc.

Unit 740-Christina Luschas
Furniture, 20+ boxes,
misc.

Unit 809-Connie Madison
Bed, bike, boxes, furniture,
misc.

Unit 864-Ada Forsyth
14+ boxes, 10 totes,
2 wheelchairs, bike carrier,
fan

Notice is hereby given
that on 9/20/06 at 1:00pm,
the following will be sold
by competitive bidding at:

Stor-N-Lock
7840 N. Wayne Rd.
Westland, MI

Unit K-9, Susan
Mortonson: Boxes/Bags,
other misc. items, misc.
sm. appliances, hshld.
goods, toys; Unit E-15,
Quintile Crofford: hshld.
appliances, misc. sm.
appliances, TV/Electronics,
hshld. goods, boxes/bags,
recreation equip., other
misc. items; Unit J-17,
Michelle OBrien: misc. sm.
appliances, hshld. furnish-
ings, hshld. goods,
boxes/bags, clothing, toys,
office equip., exercise
equip., other misc. items;
Unit F-13, Ernest Hudgins:
TV/Electronics, hshld.
goods, boxes/bags, toys,
hand tools, recreation
equip., other misc. items;
Unit D-13, Daniel Brewer:
misc. sm. appliances,
hshld. furnishings,
boxes/bags, power tools,
recreation equip., other
misc. items; M-12,
Diondey Ellis: misc. sm.
appliances, TV/Electronics,
hshld. furnishings, hshld.
goods, boxes/bags, cloth-
ing, toys, other misc.
items; Unit P-7G, Paula M.
Coley: hshld. furnishings,
hshld. goods, boxes/bags,
toys, hand tools, other
misc. items; Unit D-28, L.
Kai Hopkins: misc. sm.
appliances, TV/Electronics,
hshld. furnishings, hshld.
goods, boxes/bags, recre-
ation equip., snow removal
equip., other misc. items

Notice of Public Sale
On Sept. 21, 2006 at
12:30pm
U-Store-It 401
28266 Ecorse Road,
Romulus, MI 48174 with
reserve, will sell by the unit
to the highest bidder by
CASH all rights, title and
interest to the following
property of:

Patricia Mercedes Prell,
C41: heater, toys, furniture,
misc., Johnnie Brown,
D91: boxes, bags, totes,
Mitchell D. Leach, D8: lad-
der, paint cans, chairs,
misc., Brian Keith Helka,
D75: furniture, boxes,
bowling ball, misc.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
OF LIENED PROPERTY
Notice is hereby given that
a closed bid sale will be
held on Sept. 28, 2006 at
1:00 P.M. at 40671 Joy
Road, Canton, Michigan
48187, County of Wayne.
AMERICA'S BUDGET
STORAGE will sell to satisfy
the lien on the property
stored at 40671 Joy Road,
Canton, Michigan 48187,
by the following persons.
The inventories listed
below were notated by the

tenants at the time of
rental. AMERICA'S BUD-
GET STORAGE
makes no representation
or warranty that the units
contain said inventories.

Leon Unit #G07
Misc. household, motorcy-
cle

Tri-angle Publication
Unit #A30
Business records

Lepowski Unit #G26
Misc. Household

Lepowski Unit #H08
Misc. household

McCrary Unit #E23
Misc. household

Mitchell Unit #J35
Misc. household

PUBLIC AUCTION
Sept. 17, 10:00AM
Fort Knox Self Storage
39205 Ford Rd., Westland
(734) 981-0700
www.fortknoxmi.com

In accordance with
Michigan law, Fort Knox
Self Storage will sell to the
highest bidder, the entire
contents of each of the fol-
lowing storage units. All
units contain common
household goods unless
otherwise noted:

#333-S. Rigney
#235-J. Delorenzo
#366-F. Massaquoi
#284-W. Montgomery
#220-D. Tozer
#465-C. Starbuck
#253-S. Bozarth
#271-M. Houston
#490-R. Quinn
#378-Fowler Inc.

61. Misc. Items

7-Piece Cherry Bedroom
Suite
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stands, frame, dresser,
mirror and chest
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Delivery available
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This year, contestants vying for the title include: (Seated L to R) Nicole Blaszczyk of Novi; Jill Tremoni of Westland; Gina Valo, Miss Wayne County 2005, of Dearborn; Katie Lorenz of Plymouth; Kim Rutkowski of Canton; and (Standing L to R) Abby Brennan of Westland; Erica Andrus of Dearborn; Christina Hastie of Dearborn; Holly Hofsess of Westland; Leah Potvin of Wayne; Alicia Jaros of Riverview; Velon Willis of Romulus. Not pictured: Kandace Carr of Westland. Photo courtesy of the Miss Wayne County Scholarship Program.

County scholarship pageant set

Young women from throughout the area will meet in Livonia on Saturday for the 2006 Miss Wayne County Scholarship Program.

Twelve contestants from Wayne, Westland, Romulus, Canton, Plymouth, Novi, Dearborn and Riverview will compete in a series of five events: interview, talent, eveningwear, swimsuit and onstage interview. The winner will ultimately earn the crown, a cash scholarship, and the opportunity to represent Wayne County in the 2007 Miss Michigan Scholarship Program, which

is a preliminary to Miss America.

The contest theme is Down on the Bayou, and it will take place at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday in the auditorium of Churchill High School in Livonia. Tickets are \$ 15 at the door and a portion of ticket sales will be donated to the creative and performing arts program at the school. Churchill High School is located at 8900 Newburgh just north of Joy Road.

For more information about the Miss Wayne County Scholarship Program, visit www.misswayneco.com.

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